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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. DICKOW

SUBJECT: Documentation for Ambassador Cabot Lodge

1. Pursuant to Mr. Kinney's conversation of August 20th with regard to the fact that the blogs had been ripped off the "Gray Book", we conducted a research of the remaining documents here in order to determine whether there were any that would be of sufficient weight for and appropriate to the Ambassador's purpose. Having uncovered nothing of a nature that we felt would be useful to the Ambassador, we queried our Station and advised them of our requirements. They have now reported that they have dispatched to us by most expeditious means some ten documents which we believe to be of interest to Ambassador Lodge.

2. We regret that the documents will not be in hand by the required date of August 26 when I understand Ambassador Lodge will commence work on his speech. However, I believe the brief subject descriptions of the documents listed below will enable him to do the greater part of his drafting and will enable him to determine which are appropriate to his theme. We expect to forward photostats by the 28th or 29th. We shall also, before forwarding them, see if we can amplify the descriptions listed below. Since the 28th and 29th are very close to the Ambassador's date of speech and since they involve a week-end, I would appreciate advice from you as to the means and place most satisfactory to the Ambassador for delivery of the documents. Incidentally, I am sure that he will not want to use all of the documents and therefore I will ask you to let us know as early as possible by number as listed below, those documents in which he has no interest so that we can release them through our partners, the Department and USIB.

3. There follows the list of document subjects:

A. ARBENZ, Sra (before moving Casa Presidencial, Aug. 5) - Balance $17.22 — $88,000 deposit slips (Aug. '53) Cash one dollars $3,000.

B. Telegram to Arbenz and wife from Merada and wife.

C. Bullet proof vests offered to Arbenz and wife by importer in a letter dated 16 June. English illustrative folder. Imminently quotable sales pitch - superlative humorous human interest.

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D. Letter thanking Sra Arbenz for magnificent gift - from Czech Minister to Mexico.

E. Letter asking for or receipt for $50 contributed to Dem Repub Student Berlin Festival - Sra Arbenz.

F. Vision reporter put questions to Arbenz. There is a tie-in of the suggestions anonymous in the originals which were unsigned, with question and answer from Army also found in Arbenz files unsigned.

G. 32 Campesinos recruited recently signed principally with print of thumb letter to CP who did not know what signing.

H. Signature list of sample Stockholm petition signed every case by thumb print showing illiterate.

I. Report demonstrating censorship cabled AP.

J. Complete control educational system by Commies to kindergartens shown by schematical. Thus where most important Commies maintained grasp by avoiding limelight public offices.

4. Since I will be away commencing the noon of the 27th, I would like you to maintain such contact as is appropriate on this matter with [redacted] (Extension - 2240--home - Oliver 4-7623). It will be [redacted] who will arrange for the passing of the documents.

[redacted]
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